

## **Surah 92 Surah Layl**

### **THE NIGHT**

#### **THE LINK BETWEEN SURAH LAYL AND SURAH SHAMS**

Like *Surah Shams*, *Surah Layl* differentiates between correct and erroneous beliefs.

#### **A SUMMARY OF THE SURAH**

This *Surah* may be summarised as follows:

- \* Verses 1 to 4 declare that just as day and night, and male and female are different, so too are deeds. Good and evil deeds can never be the same.
- \* Verses 5 to 13 explain the above distinction further.
- \* Verses 14 to 16 warn about the terrible consequences to be faced in the *Aakhirah*.
- \* Verses 17 to 21 convey glad tidings about the rewards to be received in the *Aakhirah*.

سُورَةُ اللَّيْلِ مَكِّيَّةٌ وَهُيَ أَحَدُ عَشَرَ آيَةً  
بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allaah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

وَاللَّيْلِ إِذَا يَغْشَى ١

1. By *(the oath of)* the night when it covers *(darkens the earth)* !

وَالنَّهَارِ إِذَا تَجَلَّى ٢

2. By the day when it illuminates *(brightens the earth)* !

وَمَا خَلَقَ الذَّكَرَ وَالْأُنثَى ٣

3. By the One Who created male and female!

إِنْ سَعَيْكُمْ لَشَيْءٌ ٤

4. Verily your efforts are varied *(while some people strive for the material possessions of this world, others strive for the Aakhirah).*

فَأَمَّا مَنْ أَعْطَى وَاتَّقَى ٥

5. As for the one *(the Mu'min)* who gives *(charity to the needy)*, who has Taqwa *(fears Allaah)*

وَصَدَّقَ بِالْحُسْنَى ٦

6. ...and who believes *(fully)* in the most beautiful word *(the Kalimah)*...

فَسَنِّيئِرُهُ إِلَىٰ سِرَىٰ ٧

7. ...We shall make the *(means to attain)* great comfort *(Jannah)* easy for him *(to carry out good deeds).*

وَأَمَّا مَنْ بَخِلَ وَاسْتَغْنَىٰ ۝٨

8. As for the one who is miserly and indifferent (careless about the truth of Islam)...

وَكَذَّبَ بِالْحُسْنَىٰ ۝٩

9. ...and who rejects (falsifies) the most beautiful word (the Kalimah)...

فَسَيُسِّرُهُ لِّلْعُسْرَىٰ ۝١٠

10. ...We shall make the (means to attain) great grief (Jahannam) easy for him (to commit sins).

وَمَا يُغْنِي عَنْهُ مَالُهُ إِذَا تَرَدَّىٰ ۝١١

11. His wealth will not benefit him when he falls (into destruction in Jahannam).

إِنَّ عَلَيْنَا لَلْهُدَىٰ ۝١٢

12. Verily, guidance (leading a person to the straight path) is Our responsibility (because people can only indicate to others the straight path and they cannot compel them to take it)...

وَأَنَّ لَّنَا الْآخِرَةَ وَالْأُولَىٰ ۝١٣

13. ...and the Akhirah and the world are in Our control. (We therefore have free reign to do as We please and people should obey Our commands.)

فَأَنذَرْتُكُمْ نَارًا تَلَظَّىٰ ۝١٤

14. I have warned you about a raging fire (so stay away from it)...

لَا يَصْلَاهَا إِلَّا الْأَشْقَىٰ ۝١٥

15. ...which only the most wretched shall enter...

الَّذِي كَذَّبَ وَتَوَلَّىٰ ۝١٦

16. ...who reject (Imaan) and turn away (from the truth).

وَسَيُجَنَّبُهَا الْأَتْقَى ۝١٧

17. Far removed from it (Jahannam) shall be the ones with the most Taqwa (the Mu'min)...

الَّذِي يُؤْتِي مَالَهُ يَتَزَكَّى ۝١٨

18. ...who spent their wealth to purify (their soul from greed and from other sins by attaining Allaah's pleasure and His forgiveness).

وَمَا لِأَحَدٍ عِنْدَهُ مِنْ نِعْمَةٍ تُجْزَى ۝١٩

19. They do not have (to spend in charity because they need) to repay a favour to anyone...

إِلَّا ابْتِغَاءَ وَجْهِ رَبِّهِ الْأَعْلَى ۝٢٠

20. ...(but they spend for no after reason) except for the pleasure of their Exalted Rabb. (Their good deeds are therefore done sincerely for Allaah's pleasure and not for ulterior motives.)

وَلَسَوْفَ يَرْضَى ۝٢١

21..Soon shall they be completely satisfied (when Allaah rewards them in full in the Aakhirah).

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